

DR. BLANCHETTE NOMINATED FOR "BUSINESS LEADER OF THE YEAR"

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*Patricia Lanoie Blanchette
MD, MPH, finalist for Pacific
Business News Award.*

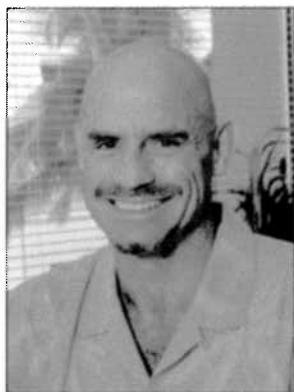
Congratulations to Patricia Lanoie Blanchette, MD, MPH, President-Elect of the Hawaii Medical Association, who was recently selected from a large field of nominees by Pacific Business News as one of the top five finalists for its prestigious 2004 Business Leader of the Year Award.

The award cited Dr. Blanchette's achievements in establishing a new field of medicine in Hawaii, Geriatric Medicine, as she was the first fellowship-trained geriatrician in the state. Over the past 20 years, Dr. Blanchette has brought in millions of dollars in research and education grants. She also established several teaching clinical services, such as the Teaching Nursing Home program, as financially sustainable community-academic partnerships. The fellowship training program she established has graduated over 100 geriatricians for this critical shortage discipline, more than half of whom have remained to practice in Hawaii.

Dr. Blanchette says she was surprised by the nomination, and extremely honored to be in the company of such impressive business leaders. "It was just like the Academy Awards," she remarked. "I was in rarefied company. I didn't go home with the Oscar, but I was truly honored to be there."

All five finalists were honored at the Business Leadership Hawaii event this past November. The award, which honors an individual who has made a difference in our community, was given to American Savings Bank CEO Connie Lau. Acting University of Hawaii President David McClain noted that Dr. Blanchette, who is chair of the Department of Geriatric Medicine at the John A. Burns School of Medicine, was the first UH faculty member to have received this honor.

MESSAGE FROM T. SAMUEL SHOMAKER, ACTING DEAN, JOHN A. BURNS SCHOOL OF MEDICINE



*T. Samuel Shomaker MD, JD,
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Hello Everyone,

By now you have all heard the news that Dr. Ed Cadman has resigned his position as Dean of our School. This is difficult news for all of us to accept as we have

become very used to having his steady hand at the helm. Under his leadership JABSOM has thrived and made tremendous progress in every one of our mission areas: education, research, and service. I know you will join me in wishing Dr. Cadman and his family all the best as they deal with this difficult situation. We all will look forward to him rejoining the faculty in August so that he can share the benefit of his wisdom with us. He is welcome in that role for as long as he wants to serve.

Although we will miss Dr. Cadman's calm and considered judgment as Dean, the best way we can pay tribute to his legacy is to continue to work to achieve the goals we set as a School under his leadership. I am committed to that objective and I believe that I can safely report that everyone in leadership positions in our School agrees with this plan. But we need your help. While the

loss of Dr. Cadman as our Dean is a blow to our School, we all need to pull together to overcome it. With the great faculty, staff and students we have, I am confident that we will move ahead to achieve the ambitious objectives we have set for JABSOM. I believe that Dr. Cadman would expect no less from us. Rest assured that we will find a way to pay fitting tribute to Dr. Cadman for his tremendous leadership and his many accomplishments—more on that later. In the meantime, let's roll up our sleeves and get to work building the JABSOM of the future, the one that we envisioned together under Dr. Cadman's leadership, "the best medical school in the world with an Asia-Pacific focus." Thanks for your continued support.

Aloha, Sam Shomaker